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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was mixed, ranging steady to fully steady, instances firm. Retail and food service demand was light to at times good, best for fast food outlets and catering businesses. Supplies of smaller sized product were adequate to well cleared, but heavier weights were at least adequate. In the parts structure, interest was fair to moderate for midweek trading. Dark meat was in good balance to tight, and moving well. Breast items and wings were sufficient to better balanced, but slightly more available for boneless skinless breasts. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 69.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 74.50 cents last year on June 15, 2005.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	144.00
BREASTS - B/S	135.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	71.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	87.00
LEG QUARTERS	33.50
WINGS	79.50

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

**SOUTHERN REGION** Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail and food service demand was light to fair, instances moderate for active features and fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient with smaller sizes in the closest balance. In the parts structure, dark meat was in good balance to short of full trade needs, and moving well. Wings were available, but showing increased interest, and breast items were better balanced to sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**NORTHEAST REGION** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was moderate to good. Offerings were adequate to well cleared on the smaller sizes; fully adequate on the 4 pound sizes. Retail and distributive movement was mostly moderate, best where feature activity was noted. The market tone was fully steady to instances firm. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were at least sufficient for current needs; bone-in breasts were in good balance to well cleared. Other items were noted as adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

**MIDWEST REGION** Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady. Offerings were moderate to ample on limited trade interest. Trade activity was generally light into retail and distributive channels; instances fairly good into catering and a few fast food outlets. Floor stocks were in balance to long; weights desirable. Supplies of parts continued to move into a more balanced position on white meat cuts, while dark meat parts remained tight to short of full trade needs. The market tone was steady to firm on leg items and generally steady on the balance of parts.

**WESTERN REGION** The market tone was steady. Offerings in good balance. Retailer demand moderate to fairly good. Floor stocks adequate.

## BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 10, 2006. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 10, 2006. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through June 10, 2006 were 4.02 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

## BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

WEEK ENDING 06/10/06	2006	2005	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	214,205	215,948	-01
CHICKS PLACED	174,698	178,287	-02

Source: NASS, USDA

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 22-Jul-06 is estimated at 161.2 million head. This compares to 160.6 million head the previous week and to 166.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 172.1 million head and the composite weighted average price was 72.86 cents per pound.

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## SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	608	115.00-165.00	-	125.95
TENDERLOINS	168	90.00-157.00	-	97.48
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	163	38.00-44.00	39	39.21
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	632	28.00-32.00	-	31.30
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	958	29.00-36.00	-	32.79
WINGS (WHOLE)	135	58.00-75.00	-	66.07
WINGS (CUT)	450	65.00-94.00	-	78.40
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
45.50-49.00	48.07

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	723	108.00-167.00	-	122.86
TENDERLOINS	218	92.00-157.00	-	97.60
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	148	38.00-44.00	39	39.14
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	592	28.00-33.00	-	31.31
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	908	29.00-36.00	-	32.25
WINGS (WHOLE)	330	50.00-75.00	60-65	64.09
WINGS (CUT)	290	80.00-94.00	-	88.16
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
45.50-50.00	48.01	46.52

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

## NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity was noted as moderate to fairly good for midweek trading. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breasts were well cleared. Dark meat cuts were adequate to instances tight. Wings were sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to fairly good, best where feature activity was noted. The market tone was fully steady to firm for bone-in breasts, tenders and most leg cuts. Other items were mostly steady.

\*ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	126.90	819,334
TENDERLOINS	100-105	104.42	185,663
BREAST - WITH RIBS	71-72	76.62	102,200
BREAST - LINE RUN	71	74.06	86,400
LEGS	42-43	39.19	120,280
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32-33	31.45	306,040
DRUMSTICKS	35-36	37.91	143,066
THIGHS	28-29	38.08	69,978
B/S THIGHS	83-84	80.10	96,100
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	70.94	250,860
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.67	21,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	23.40	17,600
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	43.48	29,920

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	121.79	753,840
TENDERLOINS	105	95.02	261,480
BREAST - WITH RIBS	72-73	81.79	65,040
BREAST - LINE RUN	72	74.87	94,760
LEGS	42-43	40.78	324,290
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32-33	32.74	350,800
DRUMSTICKS	36-37	36.13	185,440
THIGHS	28-29	38.48	60,660
B/S THIGHS	83-84	80.52	92,880
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	68.31	279,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.09	22,440
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	31.36	6,680
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	42.96	26,480

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INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

## ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	WTS
Alabama	4,077	4,044	3,960	3,895	5.45
Arkansas	5,397	5,514	5,384	4,890	5.32
Delmarva	2,279	2,282	2,275	2,559	5.79
KY-LA-TN	2,338	2,344	2,259	2,255	5.04
Mississippi	2,802	3,031	2,961	3,299	5.81
North Car	2,316	2,630	2,230	2,933	6.49
Texas	2,498	2,487	2,636	2,481	5.40
Total	21,707	22,332	21,705	22,203	5.56
Mon-Wed	66,277(A)				5.53

65,982(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Jun-06 is estimated to be 32,476,000 head down 1.34 percent from a week ago and down 5.43 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,916,000, last year 34,341,000)

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	94-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	97-105
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

## SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

## DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	89-103
	DRY PACK	108-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	100
	DRY PACK	111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	88-102
	DRY PACK	102-109
DUCKS		185-190

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 17-Jun-06

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	06/17/06 (1)	06/10/06
CLASS	THOUSAND HEAD	
Broiler/fryer	165,055 (2)	168,873
Light hens	1,083	1,138
Heavy hens	1,731	1,507
Total	167,869	171,518

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 17-Jun-06 is 166.0 million head compared to 171.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.4 million head or 0.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 24-Jun-06 the estimated available is 164.5 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS**  
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 06/12/06	101,763	67,286
AM 06/01/06	96,574	65,824
CHG	5,189	1,462
PCT CHG	5	2

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT** (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	06/12/06	06/05/06	06/13/05	06/12/06	06/05/06	06/13/05
<b>PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES</b>						
	543	525	4,045	7,253	7,683	6,149
	164	143	78	2,989	2,818	3,506

**CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS**

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JUNE 12, 2006

		RANGE
HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	69-76
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	72-79

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**

FOR 06/13/06

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	1.50	2.50	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	2.50	2.75	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	6.50	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.75	3.25	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	.50	1.25	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.50	1.50	.90	RABBITS ea.	-	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.50	5.00	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	2.00	2.75	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS 74							

**MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City**

Cents per pound for the week ending June 9, 2006

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
<b>RAYON</b>						
Low	57.86	147.63	95.76	15.96	3.99	71.82
High	67.83	155.61	99.75	19.95	7.98	71.82
Mostly	67.83	151.62	99.75	15.96	3.99	71.82

**SAN JUAN**

Low	56.66	147.63	99.75	15.96	3.99	71.82
High	67.83	155.61	103.74	19.95	7.98	71.82
Mostly	67.83	155.61	99.75	15.96	3.99	71.82

**NEW SAN JUAN**

Low	55.86	151.62	99.75	15.96	3.99	70.62
High	67.83	155.61	103.74	19.95	7.98	70.62
Mostly	67.83	155.61	103.74	19.95	3.99	70.62

**BECERRA**

Low	57.06	155.61	103.74	19.95	3.99	71.82
High	69.43	163.59	111.72	23.94	7.98	71.82
Mostly	66.63	159.60	107.73	19.95	7.98	71.82

**DELMARVA**

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate to good. Seller offerings were adequate and clearing satisfactorily on the 2.50 and 3.00 pound sizes; fully adequate to occasionally ample on the 4.00 pound sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 58 to 75 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to short on most items.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

**BRANDED U.S. GRADE A**

RANGE	54-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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